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Parents National Educational Union.

Northern Ireland Branch.

Minute Book.

Committee Meeting 27th March

1929

A Committee Meeting was held at 65, Eglantine Avenue on Wednesday, 27th March.

Present.

Mrs Wilson (in the chair)

Mrs Hume

Mrs Megaw

Mrs Newton Anderson.

Mrs M^c Connell

Mrs M^c Chay.

Mrs Russell.

Mr. Welby.

Mrs M^c Connell. (hon. secretary)

Apologies.

Mrs Moore.

Mrs Patrick.

Mrs Garrod.

Mrs Irwin.

Mrs Cowan.

Mr. Beadle.

The programme for the autumn session was discussed, and it was suggested that some drawing-room meetings should be held at which one of the members

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would read a paper, and a general discussion on the subject would follow.

It was proposed to send wishes for a speedy recovery to Mrs Moore.

The meeting authorised the Treasurer to send the Capitation fee to Head quarters, also to order stationery to be printed for the branch.

Hannah Moore

Oct 16th

Committee Meeting Oct 16th 1929.

A Committee Meeting was held at 65, Eglantine Avenue on Wednesday, 16th October.

The following members were present.

Mrs Moore (in the chair)

Mrs Anderson

Mrs Patrick

Mrs Hume

Mrs McCloy

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Mrs Barrod

Mrs Irwin

Mrs Megaw

Mrs Russell

Mrs McConnell (Hon: secretary)

The minutes of the previous meeting were read, confirmed, and signed by the chairman.

It was agreed to ask Mrs

Gibbon to preside at Mrs Pennethorne's Meeting on 22nd November.

It was proposed by Mrs Hume, seconded by Mrs Russell, and passed, that votes of thanks be done away with at future meetings.

Mrs Moore suggested that a small sub-committee should be formed to deal with small matters which arise from time to time.

It was proposed by Mrs Barrod, & seconded by Mrs Hume, and passed " that a sub-committee be formed."

It was agreed to ask Mrs Meredith to lecture on "Stammering" and Mr Lihy to lecture on "Teaching

the Dumb to speak".
 Mrs M. Clog suggested that the Classical Society should be asked to send a member to speak on "The Teaching of Classics", and that Mr. W. Hume should be asked to speak on "Irish History".

Helen G. Moore
 December 1929

Committee Meeting. December 13th 1929

A Committee Meeting was held at 65, Eglantine Avenue on Friday, 13th December. The following members were present -

Mrs Moore, (in the chair)

Mrs Newton Anson.

Miss Russell,

Mrs M. Connell. (Hon. secretary)

Apologies were received from the following

Mrs Wilson,

W. H. Welphy, Esq.

Miss Cowan.

Mrs Hume,

Mrs Megaw.

It was arranged to ask Rt. Hon. Lord Justice ~~Best~~ Andrews to preside at the meeting on 15th Jan, and to hold the Annual General Meeting at 2.15pm on the same day.

It was suggested that Mrs Maude Travers should be asked to speak on "Girl Guides" at a future meeting.

The resolution "that a small sub-committee be formed" which was proposed and seconded at the last Committee Meeting, was passed, and the following six names were proposed as members. Mrs Moore, Mrs Hume, Mrs Patrick, Mrs Garrod, Mrs Clarendon, & Miss M. Connell.

It was agreed to ask Mr. Lister, Principal of the Deaf & Dumb Institute to speak ^{in February} on his methods of teaching the Dumb, in February, and if possible to have a member of the Classical Society in March.

Miss Mc Connell said that she very much regretted that it was impossible for her to continue ~~with~~ her work as Hon. Secretary to the Branch owing to pressure of other work. Mrs Newton Anderson (Hon. Treasurer) proposed that a circular giving details of subscriptions etc. should be sent to non-members whose names are on the invitation list. Miss Russell seconded this.

Mrs Anderson also asked if the Committee would authorise her to put £5 on deposit. The Committee agreed to this.

R. P. Wilson

Annual General Meeting.

31st January, 1929

The Annual General Meeting was held in the Grand Central Hotel on 31st January, 1929. Mrs Moore, ^{Vice President} in the chair, and there were twenty-five members present.

Miss Russell said she very much regretted that she would have to resign the Honorary Secretarships owing to pressure of other business. The meeting appointed Mrs Mc Connell in her place and passed a vote of thanks to Miss Russell for her work during the year.

Mrs Mc Connell also resigned the Hon. Treasurership owing to ill-health, and Mrs Newton Anderson was appointed. It was proposed, seconded and passed that Mrs R. P. Wilson be appointed a Vice President with Mrs Moore.

The ¹⁹²⁸ Committee was re-elected in ~~bulk~~ and the following three names were added, Mrs Mc Cloy, Mrs Megaw, and G.C. Beadle, Esq.

It was suggested that someone be found to speak on the first teaching of religion to very young children, also that some meetings on the lines of a study circle should be held, a different leader being chosen to read a short paper at each meeting. Afterwards the other members would join in the discussions, each giving her own point of view & experiences.

The Treasurer submitted a balance sheet for the year, showing a balance in hand of £14. 16. 1.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Helen G. 21/03/6
15 January 1930

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Annual General Meeting.

15th January 1930.

The annual general meeting was held in the Grand Central Hotel, Belfast on Wednesday 15th Jan, 1930.

The following members were present:-

Mrs. Moore Vice-President (in the chair)

Mrs. Patrick, Mrs. Hume, Mrs. Hegaw, Mrs. Russell, Mrs. Mc. Bonnell & Mrs. Henderson Anderson.

An apology was received from Mrs. Wilson.

The minutes of the annual general meeting held on January 31st 1929 were taken as read.

The Treasurer submitted the statement of account for the year 1929 showing a credit balance of £11. 18. 0.

The Officers were re-elected with the exception of Mrs. Mc. Bonnell (Hon. Secretary) whose resignation was accepted with regret.

On the motion of the Chairman Mrs. Anderson was proposed as Hon. Secretary, seconded by Mrs. Russell and was unanimously elected.

The Committee was re-elected.

A discussion then took place as regards future meetings and Mrs. Hume suggested that a lecture should be given on the exhibition of Italian art at present being held.

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in London. Mrs. Hume volunteered to approach Mr. Deane (Curator of Belfast museum & Art Gallery) with this object. The Committee cordially approved.

Committee
meeting
It was decided to hold the next meeting of Committee on Monday 3rd February, 1930 at 3 p.m. at 66, Eglington Avenue, Belfast.

This concluded the business

Helen G. Moore
January 14th 1930.

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STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS.

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PARENTS NATIONAL EDUCATIONAL UNION, NORTHERN IRELAND BRANCH.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDING
31st., DECEMBER, 1929.

£5 on deposit with Northern Banking Co., Ltd.

| DR. | £ | s | d. | CR. | £ | s | d. |
|---|----|----|----|---|---|----|-----|
| To Amount received from late Hon. Treasurer. | 14 | 16 | 1. | By Hire of Room for Meetings. | 2 | 4 | 6. |
| " Amount of Subscriptions | 15 | 3 | 4. | " Stationery & Printing. | 5 | 6 | 3. |
| " Refund on unused cheques. (Ulster Bank). | | 3 | 6. | " Advertising. | 1 | 10 | 0. |
| " Subs. received to P.R. (sent to Central Branch). | 1 | 11 | 6. | " Cheque Books. | | 8 | 4. |
| " Overcharged a/c Little & McClean. | | 14 | 7. | " Capitation Fee. | 1 | 2 | 6. |
| | £ | 32 | 9 | " Refund of P.R. Subs. | 1 | 11 | 6. |
| | | | | " Postages, Telegrams & Telephone Calls. | 5 | 7 | 11. |
| | | | | " Amount on Deposit at Northern Bank. | 5 | - | - |
| | | | | " Balance in Current a/c at Bank. | 9 | 18 | -. |
| | £ | 32 | 9 | | | | -. |

Dilian R. Anderson Hon. Treas.

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Helen G. Moore Chairman.

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COMMITTEE MEETING.
3rd., Feb., 1930.

A Committee Meeting was held on Monday 3rd., February, 1930, at 65, Eglantine Avenue, Belfast.

The following were present:- Mrs. Wilson (in the Chair), Mrs. Patrick, Mrs. Hume, Miss Russell, Miss McConnell and Mrs. Newton Anderson (Hon. Treas. & Sec).

Apologies were received from :- Mrs. Moore, Mrs. Irwin, Miss Cowan, Mrs. Megaw, and Mrs. Garrod.

The Minutes of the Committee Meeting held on 13th., December, 1929 were read, confirmed and signed.

The resolution which had been proposed at the last meeting by Mrs. Anderson and seconded by Miss McConnell relative to the issuing of a circular letter to non-members whose names are on the Invitation Lists was passed unanimously and it was agreed that the Invitation Lists should be cancelled. It was announced that Mr. Lilley had agreed to lecture on "Methods employed in the education of the Deaf & Dumb" on 19th., February, 1930. The names of Miss Matier, Miss Purvis or J.A.H. Munroe Esq., K.C., were suggested for the Chairmanship of the Meeting and the secretary was asked to communicate with them.

The sub-Committee consisting of the following was re-elected:- Mrs. Moore, Mrs. Patrick, Mrs. Hume, Mrs. Garrod, Mrs. Clarendon & Miss McConnell.

Mrs. Hume reported that she had seen Mr. Deane who could not undertake to lecture on Italian Art on such short notice but he had volunteered to give a lecture on any one of the three following subjects:- "Birth of Art and Industry", "Old Domestic Metalwork" or "Peculiar Plants", in the Lecture Hall of the Municipal Museum and Art Gallery. The Secretary announced that 12th., March would be a convenient date for Mr. Deane's lecture. This date was agreed to and the Committee selected "The Birth of Art and Industry" as the most appropriate lecture and the Secretary was asked to write to Mr. Deane accordingly. As Chairman for this meeting the following names were suggested:- Mr. Hunter, Mr. Welply or Mr. Munro, K.C.

Mrs. Patrick said that she had asked Mrs. Dermot O'Brien of Dublin if she could suggest a Lecturer on Italian Art, but that owing to Mrs. Dermot O'Brien's illness no definite arrangement could be made at the moment. Mrs. Patrick hoped however, to have some more information for the Committee at their next meeting.

A letter was read from Mrs. R.R.P. Wilson putting forward the suggestion that drawing-room meetings should occasionally be held. The suggestion was approved and it was decided to try to arrange a drawing-room meeting during the week commencing Monday, 24th., March, 1930. Mrs. Wilson thought that a

paper should be read followed by a general discussion, and Mrs. Hume mentioned that a Mrs. Olesen might be prepared to read a paper on "Child Psychology". It was decided to keep the secretaries of the Irish Branches informed of our programme of Lectures and to extend a cordial invitation to their members. Mrs. Patrick read a letter from Mrs. Dermot O'Brien intimating that a Miss Johnston, whom she described as a very good speaker, would be in Ireland in October next lecturing on "Elocution and the Art of Public Speaking Generally". It was suggested that an effort should be made to secure Miss Johnston for a Lecture at that time. Her fee is £2/2/-.

This concluded the business.

Helen G. Motte
May 9th 1933

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COMMITTEE MEETING.
9th., May, 1930.

A Committee Meeting was held on Friday, 9th., May, 1930, at 65, Eglantine Avenue, Belfast. The following were present:- Mrs. Moore (in the Chair), Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Megaw, Miss Cowan, Mrs. McCloy, Miss McConnell, Miss Russell and the Secretary (Mrs. Newton Anderson). Apologies were received from:- Mrs. Patrick and Mrs. Irwin. The Minutes of the Committee Meeting held on 3rd., February, 1930, were read, confirmed and signed.

The Secretary reported that in accordance with the suggestion made at the last Committee Meeting she had extended a welcome to the Secretary and Members of the other Irish Branches. A letter was read from Miss McNeill, Hon. Secretary to the Northern Ireland Branch of the New Education Fellowship asking that the Committee appoint a representative to attend the Lectures and Meetings of that organisation. The Committee approved and it was proposed by Mrs. Wilson, seconded by Mrs. McCloy and passed unanimously that Miss McConnell should be appointed as their representative.

A discussion then took place on the advisability of electing a representative to attend the fourth Congress of the International Commission on Family Education at Liege, Belgium. Mrs. McCloy volunteered to communicate with Mrs. Bradshaw for further information on the matter and the Secretary was asked to write to Mrs. Dermot O'Brien of Dublin with the same object. The appointment of a representative to remain in abeyance for the present.

It was decided to purchase for the Library the following book:- "Children and the Stress of Life" by Helen Webb, M.B. price 3/10d post free.

This concluded the business.

Thos. A. Patrick

17th October, 1930.

Committee Meeting.
17th., October, 1930.

A Committee Meeting was held on Friday 17th., October, 1930, at 2, Queen's Elms, Belfast. The following were present:- Mrs. Norman Patrick and afterwards Mrs. Moore (in the Chair), Mrs. Clarendon, Mrs. Megaw, Mrs. Irwin, Miss Russell, Miss McConnell and the Secretary (Mrs. Newton Anderson). Apologies were received from :- Mrs. Walter Hume and Mrs. McCloy. The Minutes of the Committee Meeting held on 9th., May, 1930, were read, confirmed and signed. Arising out of the Minutes:- The Secretary read a letter from Mrs. Lefroy of Dublin suggesting that as the Central Branch was sending a representative to the International Congress on Family Education at Liege, to represent the Parents National Educational Union, it was not necessary for us to take any further action in the Matter. Miss McConnell mentioned that Mrs. McCloy had received a similar expression of opinion from Mrs. Bradshaw. The Committee agreed with this view. The Librarian (Miss McConnell) intimated that she had received Dr. Helen Webb's book "Children and the Stress of Life". Mrs. Patrick reported that she had made enquiries about a Lecturer on Italian Art and that in her opinion the Lecturer's fee would be prohibitive. It was decided to hold the matter over for the present. A discussion then took place as regards forthcoming Lectures. The Secretary was requested to try to arrange the following Lectures:-

1. Miss Gladding on P.N.E.U. Methods or Child Psychology on 12th., November, 1930. Mr. Welply or failing him Mr. Lace in the Chair.
2. Mr. Garrod on Music--Elementary on 3rd., December, 1930. No Chairman. (this Lecture to be specially for Children).
3. A Lecturer to be suggested by Miss Montgomery, 2 College Sq., Belfast on "The Mentally Deficient". Captain Norman Patrick in the Chair. The date to be the 10th., December, 1930, if possible.

Mrs. Patrick volunteered to communicate with Mr. Cousins of Limavady and "The Crock o' Gold" Dublin with the object of arranging a Lecture on "Handicrafts". On the motion of Mrs. Irwin, seconded by Mrs. Clarendon a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to Mrs. R.W. Livingstone for so kindly granting the use of a room for Committee Meetings. This concluded the business.

Helen G. Moore
Nov 28th 1930

Committee Meeting.
23th., November, 1930.

A Committee Meeting was held on Friday, 28th., November, 1930, at 2 Queen's Elms, Belfast. The following were present:- Mrs. Moore (in the Chair), Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. McCloy, and the Secretary and Treasurer (Mrs. Newton Anderson). Apologies were received from:- Mrs. Patrick, Mrs. Clarendon, Mrs. Hume, Miss Cowan, Mrs. Megaw, Mr. & Mrs. Garrod, Mrs. Irwin, Miss Russell and Miss McConnell. The Minutes of the Committee Meeting held on 17th., October, 1930, were read, confirmed and signed. Arising out of the Minutes:- The Secretary reported having made the following arrangements:-
12th., Nov, 1930 Grand Central Hotel, a Lecture by Prof. S.P. Mercer on Family Trees. The Rt. Hon. Lord Justice Best in the Chair. (In place of Miss Gladding's Lecture which is to be given in Feby). 3rd., Dec, 1930, Grand Central Hotel, a Lecture specially for children by Geoffrey Garrod Esq., M.A. entitled "Marches and Dances" No. Chairman for this meeting.
10th., Dec, 1930, Grand Central Hotel, a talk by Dr. Dorothy Gardner on the "Mentally Afflicted". Captain Norman Patrick in the chair. The Secretary was asked to convey to Miss Cowan the sympathy of the Committee on the death of her father. The following lectures were suggested and the Secretary was requested to make the necessary arrangements:-
14th., Jan, 1931, Grand Central Hotel, Belfast, Miss Edith Gregg on an Empire subject. Chairman to be Sir F. Cleaver or failing him Mrs. John McGonigal.
11th., Feby, 1931, Grand Central Hotel, Belfast, Miss Gladding on "The Seed growing secretly" Chairman to be Mr. Welply or Mrs. Lace.
In March, on a date convenient to Mr. Arthur Deane, the Secretary was asked to try to arrange a Lecture by Mr. James Taylor on "Venetian Art" in the Museum & Art Gallery, Belfast. Chairman to be Mr. Arthur Deane.
It was proposed by Mrs. McCloy and seconded by Mrs. Wilson and passed unanimously that Mrs. R.W. Livingstone be asked to act on the Committee for 1931. The Secretary was requested to communicate with her to this effect.
The Committee agreed to hold the Annual General Meeting at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, 14th., January, 1931, in the Grand Central Hotel, prior to Miss Gregg's lecture and ~~the next~~ Committee meeting to be held on 15th., May, 1931 when a programme of lectures for the session 1931-1932 would be discussed. The Secretary to get an estimate for the printing of a small programme of lectures.
This concluded the business.

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Margaret C. Irwin.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

14th. January, 1931.

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The Annual General Meeting was held in the Grand Central Hotel, Belfast on Wednesday, 14th., January, 1931.

The following were present:- Mrs. Moore (in the Chair), Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Patrick, Mrs. Johnstone, Mrs. Garrod, Mrs. Neoo, Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Megaw, Mrs. Scott, Miss Russell, Miss McConnell, William Orr, Esq., and the Secretary & Treasurer (Mrs. Newton Anderson).

Apologies were read from:- Mrs. Thompson, Mrs. Hume and Mrs. Irwin.

The Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting held on the 15th., January, 1930 were read, confirmed and signed.

The Treasurer submitted the Statement of Accounts for the year 1930 showing a credit balance of £11-8-7d.

The Secretary read the Annual Report which was adopted on the proposal of the Chairman seconded by Mr. Orr.

Mrs. Wilson proposed that Mrs. Moore be elected President of the Branch. This was seconded by Mrs. Garrod and passed by acclamation.

The following were elected as Vice-Presidents:-

Mrs. R.P. Wilson--Proposed by Mr. Orr seconded by Mrs. Johnstone

Mrs. Irwin-----Proposed by Miss McConnell seconded by

Mrs. Megaw.

The following were elected as the Committee for the year:-

Mrs. Patrick, Mrs. Hume, Mrs. Clarendon, Mrs. Garrod, Mr. Garrod

Mrs. Megaw, Mr. Welby, Miss McConnell, Miss Russell, Mrs.

White, Mrs. Lecky, Mrs. Johnstone, Mrs. Webb, Lady Livingstone

Mrs. Higginson.

Mrs. A. Newton Anderson was re-elected as Hon. Secretary and Hon. Treasurer on the motion of the Chairman seconded by Mrs. Wilson.

On the motion of Mrs. Megaw seconded by Miss Russell the following provisional Rule passed by the Committee was confirmed:-

7 "That an emergency Committee consisting of six members should be formed to deal with small matters that arise from time to time. Three members to form a quorum".

On the proposal of Mrs. Johnstone seconded by Miss McConnell the following addition to the Rules was made:-

8 "That the President and Vice-Presidents shall hold office without re-election and shall be ex-officio members of all Committees"

A discussion then took place as regards drawing-room meetings and the members were unanimously of opinion that at least one such meeting should be held each year, preferably in a country district.

This concluded the business.

Helen G. Moore Jan 18th 1932

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STATEMENT of ACCOUNTS.

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PARENTS NATIONAL EDUCATIONAL UNION, NORTHERN IRELAND BRANCH.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDING
31st., DECEMBER, 1930.

£10 on Deposit at Northern Banking Co, Ltd.,

| DR. | £ | s | d. | CR. | £ | s | d. |
|--|----|----|----|---|---|----|----|
| To Balance brought forward from last year. | 9 | 18 | - | By Hire of Room for Meetings | 2 | 12 | 6 |
| " Subscriptions. | 13 | 12 | 1 | " Stationery & Printing | 2 | - | 1½ |
| " Subscriptions to "P.R." | 1 | 1 | - | " Refund Expenses to Miss McConnell. | 1 | 18 | 2 |
| " Sale of Pamphlets. | | 1 | 4 | " Advertising. | 3 | - | - |
| | | | | " Cheque Book. | | 4 | 2 |
| | | | | " Capitation Fee. | 1 | 2 | - |
| | | | | " Refund of P.R. Subs to Central Branch. | 1 | 1 | - |
| | | | | " Lecturer's Fee. | 2 | 2 | - |
| | | | | " Book for Library | 3 | - | 10 |
| | | | | " Postages & Telephone. | 4 | - | ½ |
| | | | | " Placed on Deposit at Northern Bank 18/3/30. | 5 | - | - |
| | | | | " Balance in Current a/c at Bank. | 1 | 8 | 7 |
| | £ | 24 | 12 | 5 | £ | 24 | 12 |

Lilian B. Anderson, Hon. Treasurer.

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Helen G. Moore, Chairman.

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COMMITTEE MEETING.

6th., May, 31.

A Special Committee Meeting was held on Wednesday, 6th., May, 1931, at the Merrythought Restaurant, Wellington Place, Belfast.

The following were present:- The President, (Mrs. Moore, in the Chair). Mrs. Irwin (Vice-President), Mrs. Patrick, Lady Livingstone, Mrs. Hume, Mrs. Johnstone, Miss McConnell and the Treas. & Secy., Mrs. Newton Anderson.

Apologies were received from:- Mrs. Wilson (Vice-President) Mrs. Megaw, Mrs. Webb and Miss Russell.

A general discussion took place on the arrangements to be made to obtain a speaker to address two meetings in County Derry, (one in Limavady and one in Greysteel), on 20th., May, 1931. Mr. W. Cousins, Principal Executive Officer of the Londonderry and Limavady Regional Educational Committee kindly offered to provide Hall and audience for these two meetings. The Secretary was instructed to write to Head Quarters with a view to seeing if it would be convenient for Miss R.A. Pennethorne to come over or failing her one of the following:- Mrs. Esslemont (of Overstone), Miss Gladding, or Miss F.B. Low. The Committee agreed to pay the Speaker the sum of £6/6/- to cover fee and expenses.

Lady Livingstone kindly offered to hold a Drawing Room Meeting to be addressed by the Speaker on the 21st., May, 1931 and further offered to pay the fee of £1/11/6 and to extend hospitality until boat-time.

The formation of new areas was then discussed with special reference to Limavady where it is hoped to form a new area shortly.

This concluded the business.

The President very kindly entertained the members of Committee to tea after the meeting.

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Margaret C. H. Irwin.

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COMMITTEE MEETING.
15th., October, 1931.

A Committee Meeting was held on Thursday, 15th., October, 1931, at 2, Queens Elms, Belfast.

The following were present:- Mrs. Irwin (Vice-President in the Chair) Mrs. Patrick, Mrs. Jonstone and Miss McConnell.

Apologies were received from:- Mrs. Moore, Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Hume, Mrs. Megaw, Miss Russell, Lady Livingstone and Mrs. Newton Anderson. The Minutes of the Committee Meeting held on 23rd., November, 1930, and of the Special Emergency Committee held on 6th., May, 1931, were read, confirmed and signed.

Arising out of the Minutes it was reported that it had been found impossible owing to the difficulties in arranging for Speakers, Chairmen and dates so far ahead, to make any definite move in the direction of a Programme of Lectures for the whole Session viz., October-May. An estimate for the printing of a small programme was submitted from Messrs Magowan and Ingram who were prepared to print a simple folder programme for the cost of 25/- per 200 copies but in view of the foregoing it was considered unnecessary to do anything further in the matter at present.

It was also reported that Miss R.A. Pennethorne kindly cancelled some engagements in England in order to come over to address the meetings held in Greysteel and Limavady at the invitation of Mrs. W. Cousins of Limavady. As a result of this visit a few new members joined the Branch and a Public Elementary School in Limavady (under the Regional Education Committee) has decided to work the Junior classes on the F.M.E.U. Programmes.

Miss Pennethorne would only accept her travelling expenses which came to £5.3.9., and not the sum of £6/6/- which this Committee authorised the Treasurer to pay her.

A discussion then took place about the next meeting and it was decided to hold a meeting on Wednesday, 4th., November, 1931 at 3 p.m., in the Grand Central Hotel, Belfast and that the Secretary should ask Mrs. Moore to approach The Rt. Hon. H.M. Pollock, M.P., Minister of Finance with a view to his speaking at this meeting on "The Gold Standard". Failing this Mrs. Patrick would ask Mrs. Waring, M.P., to speak on some topical subject. It was decided to ask Mr. Geoffrey Garrod to act as Chairman at this meeting and failing him, Mrs. Clarendon. This concluded the business.

Helen G. Moore
Nov 12th 1931

COMMITTEE MEETING.
13th., November, 1931.

A Committee meeting was held on Thursday, 12th., November, 1931 at the Grand Central Hotel, Belfast. The following were present:- The President, (Mrs. Moore, in the Chair), Mrs. Patrick, Mrs. Negus, Mrs. Johnstone, Lady Livingstone, and the Treasurer and Secretary (Mrs. Newton Anderson). Apologies were received from Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Irwin, Mrs. Garrod, Miss McConnell and Mrs. Webb.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read, confirmed and signed. Arising out of the Minutes, Mrs. Moore reported that she had written to Mr. Pollock and that he found it impossible to address the members during November. If, however, the Committee decided to have the Lecture in December he would make an effort to meet their wishes. Mrs. Moore very kindly offered to again write to Mr. Pollock expressing the desire of the Committee that he should give an address on "The Gold Standard" in December. As there was some difference of opinion a vote was taken and passed Lady Livingstone dissenting.

The following lectures were decided upon and the Secretary was asked to try to make arrangements accordingly.

In December. A Lecture by Mr. S. Cousins, M. Comm.Sc., on Arts and Crafts, Technical Education, or some subject suggested by him. He to also suggest the date. Major Rupert Stanley to be asked to take the Chair.

In January. A Lecture by Mr. J. Stendall in the Art Gallery on a subject to be chosen by him. Mr. Arthur Deane to be asked to take the Chair.

In February. The Committee confirmed the Secretary's provisional booking for 3rd., February, 1932, of Mrs. Emsor of the New Education Fellowship. Chairman to be decided later. This concluded the business.

Helen S. Moore
January 29th 1932

EMERGENCY COMMITTEE MEETING.

10th., December, 1931.

A Meeting of the Emergency Committee was held on Friday, 10th., December, 1931 at 2.30 p.m., prior to the Lecture. The President (Mrs. Moore) in the Chair and the following members being present. Mrs. Patrick, Mrs. Hume, Miss McConnell, and the Treasurer and Secretary (Mrs. Newton Anderson).

It was decided to ask the Rt. Hon. H.M. Pollock to address the members on either 11th., or 12th., January, 1932, whichever date was most convenient to him also to ask the Museum and Arts gallery Committee for the use of the Lecture Theatre, in the Museum for this Lecture.

The President very kindly offered to write to Mr. Pollock and also to the Museum and Art Gallery Committee. This concluded the business.

Helen S. Moore
January 29th 1932

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.
18th., January, 1932.

The Annual General Meeting was held at 2, Queens Elms, Belfast on Monday, 18th., January, 1932. The following were present:- The President (Mrs. Moore) in the chair, Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Patrick, Mrs. Johnstone, Mrs. Megaw, Mrs. McCloy, Mrs. Henshall and Mrs. Ball and the Treasurer and Secretary Mrs. A. Newton Anderson. Apologies were received from:- Mrs. Thompson, Lady Livingstone and Miss McConnell.

The Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting held on the 14th., January, 1931 were read, confirmed and signed.

The Secretary's Report for the year 1931 was taken as read as all members had received a copy.

The Treasurer submitted the Statement of Accounts for the year 1931 which showed a Credit Balance of £9/16/4d.

The following were elected as the Committee for 1932:-

Mrs. Patrick, Mrs. Hume, Mrs. Clarendon, Mr. Garrod, Mrs. Garrod, Mrs. Megaw, Miss McConnell, Mrs. Johnstone, Mrs. Webb, Lady Livingstone, Mrs. White, Mrs. Ball and Mrs. Newton Anderson. The Committee accepted with regret the resignations of Mrs. Lecky, Miss Russell and Mr. W.H. Welby.

On the proposal of the President, seconded by Mrs. McCloy, it was unanimously decided to request Colonel Gibbon M.A., to act on the Committee for 1932.

On the proposal of Mrs. Wilson, seconded by Mrs. Patrick it was also unanimously decided to request Mr. Geoffrey Bing, M.A., to act on the Committee for 1932.

Mrs. Ball being present and giving her consent the President proposed her name and Mrs. Wilson seconded and the members unanimously agreed to elect her on the Committee for 1932.

Mrs. A. Newton Anderson was unanimously re-elected Hon. Secretary and Hon. Treasurer for 1932 on the motion of the Chairman, seconded by Mrs. Patrick.

A general discussion then took place with regard to future meetings.

This concluded the business.

Helen G. Moore
Jan 25th 1933

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STATEMENT of Accounts

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PARENTS NATIONAL EDUCATIONAL UNION, NORTHERN IRELAND BRANCH.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDING
31st., DECEMBER, 1931.

£5 on deposit at Northern Banking Co. Ltd.

| DR. | £ | s | d. | CR. | £ | s | d. |
|--|------|----|----|--|------|----|----|
| To Balance brought forward from last year. | 1 | 8 | 7 | By Hire of Room for Meetings | 1 | 1 | - |
| To Subscriptions. | 17 | 10 | - | " Stationery & Printing. | 2 | 5 | 2. |
| " "P.R." Subscriptions. | 1 | 11 | 6 | " Advertising. | 2 | 5 | - |
| " Sale of Pamphlets. | 1 | 3 | - | " Cheque Book. | 4 | 2 | - |
| " Price of Book per Mrs. Rogers, Bangor. | 6 | - | - | " Capitation Fee. | 1 | 7 | 2. |
| " Deposit Receipt paid off. | 5 | 2 | 4 | " Refund of "P.R." Subs. to Central Branch. | 1 | 11 | 6. |
| | | | | " Refund Price of Book sent to Central Branch. | 6 | - | - |
| | | | | " Lecturers' Fees & Expenses Miss Gladding. £3/3/- | | | - |
| | | | | Miss Pennethorne £5/3/9 | 8 | 6 | 9 |
| | | | | " Postages & Telephone. | 3 | 6 | 7 |
| | | | | " Refund to Lady Wickham overpaid subscription. | 10 | - | - |
| | | | | " Balance in Current a/c at Bank £5/8/4 less outstanding cheque 12/-s. | 4 | 16 | 4. |
| | | | | | £ 25 | 19 | 8 |
| | £ 25 | 19 | 8 | | | | |

Silvan D. Anderson Hon. Treasurer.

31/12/1931.

Helen S. Morris Chairman.
January 1932

COMMITTEE MEETING.

29th., January, 32.

A Committee meeting was held on Friday, 29th., January, 1932 at 2, Queens Elms, Belfast.

The following were present:- The President (Mrs. Moore, in the Chair) Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Patrick, Mrs. Ball, Mrs. Hume, Mrs. Johnstone, Mrs. Webb and the Hon. Sec & Treas (Mrs. Newton Anderson).

Apologies were received from:- Mrs. Megaw, Miss McConnell. The Minutes of the Committee Meetings held on 12/11/31 and 18/12/31 were read, confirmed and signed.

Arising out of the Minutes the Secretary reported:-

- (a) That she had received a letter from Mr. Cousins stating that he wished to be relieved of his promise to lecture to the members in January and adding that he might be able to do so next winter.
- (b) That Mr. Arthur Deane offered to lecture instead of Mr. Stendall and did not want a Chairman. This was arranged for 18th December, 1932.
- (c) That Colonel Scott had very kindly agreed to take the Chair at Mrs. Ensor's lecture in February.

The Secretary then reported that she had heard from Miss Pennethorne who could come to Belfast for the first week in May next. There would be no expenses or fees in connection with this visit. Hospitality was very kindly offered by the President and it was decided to book Miss Pennethorne for the following dates:-

MONDAY 2nd., MAY, at 3 p.m. In The Grand Central Hotel, BELFAST.

TUESDAY 3rd., MAY, afternoon meeting to be held in BANGOR.

" " " at 8 p.m., Public meeting to be held in HOLYWOOD.

The Secretary was asked to make enquiries re hall, posters etc.

The Secretary reported that Colonel Gibon and Mrs. Geoffrey Bing had consented to act on the Committee for 1932.

On the motion of the President, seconded by Mrs. Patrick and passed unanimously the Emergency Committee was then reelected for 1932 with the one following change:- in the room of Mrs. Garrod, Mrs. Patrick proposed and Mrs. Wilson seconded and the Committee agreed unanimously that Mrs. Ball be elected.

It was also decided to pass a Provisional Rule to come into operation immediately and to be confirmed by the members at the Annual General Meeting next January "That the present Committee of 15 members be increased to 20 members" Rule 8.

A lengthy discussion then took place in regard to future lectures and the secretary read two lists of suggested lectures, one submitted by Mrs. Wilson and the other by herself. Mrs. Moore very kindly offered to hold a meeting at "Glassabredden" next session on the lines of one reported in a recent copy of the Parents Review.

It was decided not to hold lectures in March or April this year. This concluded the business.

Helen J. Moore

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Committee Meeting,
11th., November, 32.

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A Committee meeting was held on Friday, 11th., November, 32. at 2, Queens Elms, Belfast.

The following were present:- (The President, Lady Moore (in the Chair), Mrs. Chamberlain, Lady Livingstone, Mrs. Patrick, Mrs. Glazebrook, Miss McConnell, Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Johnstone, and the Hon. Sec and Treas. (Mrs. Newton Anderson)).

Apologies were received from:- Mrs. Hume, Colonel Gibon, Mrs. Megaw, and Mrs. Webb.

The Minutes of the Committee Meeting held on 29th., January, 1932 were read, confirmed and signed.

Arising out of the Minutes:- It was decided again to ask Mr. Cousins to lecture and it was hoped he would be able to do so in November. Lady Moore very kindly offered to hold a Drawing Room Meeting at Glassabredden when it was hoped that Miss Swan would be able to give a short address on the working of P.U.S. Programmes, after which ample time would be given for a general discussion.

The Secretary reported that she had heard from Mrs. Megaw who was desirous of resigning from the Committee as she found it difficult to be in Belfast during the winter months.

Her resignation was accepted with regret and the Secretary promised to write thanking her for ^{her} services and expressing the regret of the Committee at her decision.

The following lectures were then suggested for the winter Session and the Secretary was asked to get into touch with those concerned:-

NOVEMBER. Captain Corrin. Lecture on Music. Canon Olden to be asked to take the Chair.

" DECEMBER. Mr. Cousins. He to choose the subject. Meeting at Lady Moore's. Miss Swan to speak.

Date:- December 9th., 1932 at 3.30 p.m.

JANUARY. Mr. Geoffrey Garrod. Lecture for the children on Music.

FEBRUARY. Sir Richard Livingstone. Subject "Citizenship".

MARCH. The Minister of Labour (The Rt. Hon. J. A. Andrews) Subject "The Unemployed" or any other subject chosen by him.

These suggestions were agreed to unanimously and Lady Moore kindly promised to approach the Minister of Labour with a view to his addressing the members in March.

Lady Livingstone promised to ask Sir Richard Livingstone to speak in February.

This concluded the business.

Helen J. Moore

Jan 19th 1933

COMMITTEE MEETING.
19th., January, 33.

A Committee Meeting was held on Thursday, 19th., January, 1933, at 2, Queens Elms, Belfast. The following were present:- The President, Lady Moore, (in the Chair), Mrs. Ball, Mrs. Chamberlain, Mrs. Johnstone, Mrs. Clarendon, Mrs. Patrick, Mrs. Wilson, Miss McConnell, and the Sec. & Treas., Mrs. Newton Anderson. Apologies were received from - Mrs. Irwin, Mrs. Hume, Mrs. White, Colonel Gibbon, Lady Livingstone, Mrs. Webb, and Mrs. Thompson. The Minutes of the Committee Meeting held on 4th., November, 1932, were read, confirmed and signed. Arising out of the Minutes, the Secretary reported that Mr. Cousins had agreed to address the members on February, 4th., next but that it was not possible for Sir Richard Livingstone to speak to the Branch in February. It was agreed that Mrs. Clarendon should very kindly invite her brother-in-law, Mr. Clarendon, to take the Chair at Mrs. Cousins' lecture; failing him that Mr. Welply should be asked to do so. The Chairman then read the following list of those wishing to resign at the Annual General Meeting to be held on 25th., January, 1933:-

The President, Lady Moore.

From the Committees:- Mrs. Patrick, Mrs. Hume, Mrs. Garrod, Mr. Garrod, " Committee:- Mrs. Megaw, Mrs. Scott, Mrs. Young.

" Secretaryship:- Mrs. Newton Anderson.

This will cause nine vacancies on the Committee, five vacancies on the Emergency Committee and a Vacancy in the Presidency and the Honorary Secretaryship.

On the proposal of Mrs. Wilson, seconded by Mrs. Clarendon the Committee unanimously decided to rescind their Provisional Rule (8) "That the Committee should consist of 20 members" and to revert to the original number of 15 members.

The Chairman then suggested that the Committee should seriously consider the formation of a Sewing Party to work for the Personal Service League under the auspices of the P.N.E.U. Northern Ireland Branch. After discussion it was decided that the matter should be adjourned to the next Committee Meeting. This concluded the business.

Theodore Wilson

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.
25th., January, 33.

The Annual General Meeting was held in the Grand Central Hotel, Royal Avenue, Belfast, on Wednesday, 25th., January, 1933.

The following were present:-

The President (Lady Moore) in the Chair, Mrs. Wilson (Vice-President), Mr. William Orr, Mrs. Johnstone, Mrs. Chamberlain, Mrs. Patrick, Mrs. Hume, Miss Swan, Miss McConnell, Lady Livingstone and Mrs. Newton Anderson (Hon. Sec. and Hon. Treas.)

Apologies were received from:-

Mr. Bing, Colonel Gibbon, Mrs. Irwin (Vice-President), Mrs. Megaw, Mrs. Thompson, Mrs. White and Mrs. Conacher.

The Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting held on 18th., January, 1932, were read, confirmed and signed.

The Secretary's Report for the year 1932 was taken as read as each member had received a copy.

The Treasurer submitted the Statement of Accounts for the year 1932, which showed a Credit Balance of £6/9/3 (Balance in Current Account at Bank £1/9/3 and On Deposit at Bank £5).

After examination of the books the Meeting authorised the Chairman to sign the Statement.

The Provisional Rule made by the Committee at their meeting on 29th., January, 1932, was unanimously rescinded. (Rule 8 "That the present Committee of 15 members be increased to 20 members").

The following resignations were then accepted:-

From the Presidency.....Lady Moore.
" " Committees.....Mr. and Mrs. Garrod, Mrs. Patrick,
Mrs. Megaw, Mrs. Hume, Mrs. Scott,
Mrs. Young.
" " Secretaryship.....Mrs. Newton Anderson.
" " Membership of Branch.....30 members.

The following Elections were then made:-

(For the year ending 31st., December, 1933.)

To the Presidency.....On the motion of Mrs. Johnstone,
Seconded by Miss McConnell and
passed unanimously Mrs. Wilson
was elected.
" " Vice-Presidency.....In Mrs. Wilson's place and on
the proposal of Mrs. Anderson,
seconded by Mrs. Patrick
Mrs. Johnstone was unanimously
elected.
" " Secretaryship.....On the proposal of Mrs. Wilson,
seconded by Mrs. Anderson
Miss Swan was unanimously elected.

The Committee re-elected Mrs. Newton Anderson to the Honorary
Treasurership.

Mrs. Wilson then proposed Mrs. Bradshaw's name for election
on the Committee and this was seconded by Mrs. Patrick.

Mrs. Wilson promised to write to Mrs. Bradshaw to ask her to
act on the Committee for 1933.

The remaining members of Committee were unanimously re-elected
for the year 1933.

This concluded the business.

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PARENTS NATIONAL EDUCATIONAL UNION, NORTHERN IRELAND BRANCH.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDING
31st., DECEMBER, 1932.

£5. On Deposit at Northern Banking Co., Ltd.

| Dr. | £ | s | d. | Cr. | £ | s | d. |
|--|----|----|----|---|-----|----|----|
| To Balance brought forward from last year. | 4 | 16 | 4 | By Hire of Room for Meetings | 3 | 7 | 6. |
| | | | | " Stationery & Printing. | 4 | 7 | 4. |
| | | | | " Advertising. | 5 | 0 | 0. |
| To Subscriptions. | 15 | 12 | 6. | " Cheque Book. | | 4 | 2. |
| " P.R. Subscriptions. | 1 | 11 | 6. | " Capitation Fee. | 1 | 8 | 0. |
| | | | | " Refund of P.R. Subs., to Central Branch. | 1 | 11 | 6. |
| | | | | " Lecturer's Expenses. (Mrs. B. Ensor). | 1 | 1 | 0. |
| | | | | " Postages & Telephone. | 3 | 11 | 7. |
| | | | | " Balance in Current a/c at Bank. | 1 | 9 | 3. |
| | | | | | £22 | 0 | 4. |
| | | | | | | | |

Lilian D. Lindetson

Treasurer.

31/12/1932.

Helen G. Moose Chairman.

PARENTS' NATIONAL EDUCATIONAL UNION.
(Northern Ireland Branch).

PRESIDENT:
Lady Moore."

VICE-PRESIDENTS: Mrs. Irwin.
Mrs. Wilson.

COMMITTEE, 1932.
Mrs. Patrick." Mrs. Clarendon." Miss McConnell" Mrs. White.
Mrs. Hume." Mrs. Webb. Mr. G. Garrod Mrs. Scott
Mrs. Johnstone. Lady Livingstone. Col. W.D. Gibbon. Mrs. Ball."
Mrs. Chamberlain. Mrs. Young. Mr. G. Bing. Mrs. Garrod, Mrs. Megaw.
Honorary Treasurer and Secretary: Mrs. Newton Anderson."
Emergency Committee Members marked. "

REPORT FOR 1932.

The Committee regret that the following of their number have resigned:- Mrs. Garrod, Mrs. Megaw, Mrs. Young, Mrs. Scott. They have to report a very active year's work. The undernoted Lectures were held:-

JANUARY: The Rt. Hon. H.M. Pollock, P.C., D.L., M.P., "The Gold Standard."
FEBRUARY: Mrs. B. Ensor. "The New Freedom in Education."
MAY: Miss M.A. Pennethorne (in Belfast). "The Changing Family."
" (in Bangor). "The Ladder of Learning."
" (drawing-room meeting at Mrs. King's, Holywood).
NOVEMBER: Capt. T. O. Corrin, Mus. Bac., "Music in Child Life."
DECEMBER: Miss K. A. Swan. (drawing-room meeting at Lady Moore's, Belfast).

The following lectures have been arranged:-

JANUARY: Mr. Geoffrey Garrod, M.A., will speak to the children on Elgar.
FEBRUARY: Mr. W. D. Cousins, M.Comm.Sc., will address the members..
MARCH: It is hoped that it may be possible to have a talk by the Rt. Hon. J. M. Andrews, P.C., D.L., M.P., Minister of Labour.

The Committee hope that members will bring their friends to all Lectures.

The Committee welcome suggestions as regards the subjects for Lectures and the names of Lecturers.

The Committee recommend that their number should be increased from 15 to 20 (fifteen to twenty) and the Annual Meeting will be asked to confirm a Provisional Rule to this effect.

Number of Members:- 82. New Members:- 20. Resignations:- 21

Letters Received:- 121. Letters Despatched:- 187.

All notices sent to the address furnished to the Secretary will be taken as duly delivered. Change of address should, therefore, be notified immediately.

In order to facilitate the working of the Branch it is requested that Subscriptions be paid on receipt of application. All Subscriptions fall due on 1st January in each year.

BELFAST,
31st December, 1932.

LILIAN D. ANDERSON,
(Hon. Secretary).

N.B. Resignations 25/33-30.

July 4th 1933.

Committee Meeting.

A Committee Meeting was held on Friday, July 4th 1933 at 2. Queen's Arms, Belfast.

The following were present: - The President (Mrs. R. P. Wilson in the Chair) Mr. Johnstone (Vice-President), Mr. Chamberlain, Mr. Stenshall and the Secretary (Miss Swan).

Apologies were received from Mr. Bing, Colonel Gibbon, Lady Livingstone, Mr. Newton Anderson, Mr. Webb & Mr. Irwin.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read, confirmed and signed.

Arising out of the Minutes. It was unanimously decided not to proceed any further with the suggestion for the formation of a Sewing Party to work for the Personal Service League.

A vote of thanks for their services was proposed by Mr. Wilson to retiring members and seconded by Mr. Johnstone.

The following members were unanimously elected to act on the Committee: - Mr. Heyland, Mr. Waterhouse and Miss Williams and on the Emergency Committee: - Mr. Chamberlain, Miss Williams.

Discussion then took place with regard to lectures for the season 1933-1934.

It was decided to have informal meetings dealing with educational subjects and the following

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PARENTS NATIONAL EDUCATIONAL UNION, NORTHERN IRELAND BRANCH.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS
 for the year ending
31st., DECEMBER, 1933 and
up to 19th., January 1934.

| DR. | £ | s | d. | CR. | £ | s | d. |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|-------------------------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|
| To Balance brought forward from 1932. | 1 | 9 | 3. | By Capitation Fee (C.B.) | 19 | 6. | |
| " Subscriptions, 1933. | 12. | 10. | 0. | " Hire of Rooms for meetings. | 1 | 1 | 0. |
| " Deposit Receipt paid off. | 5. | 0. | 0. | " MacGowan & Ingram's | | | |
| " Interest on above. | 5. | 7. | 0. | " a/c Printing. | 1. | 11. | 9. |
| " Refund on unused cheques. | 2. | 6. | 0. | " Postages, adverts., etc., | 2. | 5. | 5. |
| | | | | " Balance in hand. | 13. | 9. | 8. |
| | <u>£19.</u> | <u>7.</u> | <u>4.</u> | | <u>£19.</u> | <u>7.</u> | <u>4.</u> |

D. D. Anderson, TREASURER.

CHAIRMAN.

19/1/1934.

£ 13:9:6 handed over by cheque
 26/1/34.

Subjects were suggested.

1. 'Careers for Girls' for which Mrs Johnstone very kindly offered to make enquiries for a speaker.
2. 'Boarding Schools versus Day Schools'. This to be a debate between two Headmasters.
3. Informal meeting dealing with Home & School difficulties.
4. 'The Case for Co-education' - Mrs Chamberlain very kindly undertook to provide a speaker.
5. 'The workings of the Dublin Branch of the P.N.E.U.'.

As Mrs Chamberlain was to act as Branch representative at the Garden Party to be held in connection with the World Education Conference in Dublin, she agreed to approach the Hostess, Mrs Leporé, who is Secretary of the Dublin Branch of the P.N.E.U., hoping that she would consent to tell us of her Branch activities.

6. 'Early Religious Training of Children' - Canon Hayes to be asked if he would consent to address the members.

It was agreed to have the programmes of lectures for the coming season printed in imitation of that of the Dublin Branch. This concluded the Business.

Committee Meeting.

Sept 29th 1933.

A. Committee meeting was held on Sept 29th at 2, Queen's Bms, Belfast.

The following were present: - The President (Mr R.P. Wilson) in the Chair. Mrs Johnstone (Vice-president) Mrs Chamberlain and the Secretary (Miss Swan).

This meeting dealt almost entirely with plans and suggestions to be raised at the Annual General meeting to be held in January. 1934.

Owing to the poor attendance of Committee members at Committee meetings, it was decided not that letters should be sent to those who have failed to attend for some time asking them whether or not they intended to take an active part on the Committee.

It was urged that the small attendances at the ordinary meetings did not justify the Committee in taking a Hall or providing a speaker at considerable cost, and owing to the fact that so few members reply to the invitations sent out that meetings held in private houses would greatly inconvenience the hostess who would be at a loss to know how many members to expect. A letter from the Head Office was read. This put forward the suggestion that meetings held in

Provincial Towns might give new life to the Branch and cater for members who lived at some distance from Belfast and are often unable to attend the meetings as at present arranged.

With regard to the library, it was arranged that Miss Williams would act as librarian at 2, Queen's Gdns where the books would be obtainable and where she would be in attendance on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday of each week at 3.45 p.m. Notices to this effect were to be printed on programmes of lectures sent out to members.

This concluded the Business.

The following

List of Members 1936.

Parents National Educational Union.
Northern Ireland Branch.

- Acheson, Mr., 25, Windsor Park, Belfast.
- Andrews, Mr., Barnesme, Bomber.
- Anderson, Mr., Norton, 35, Downshire Road, Belfast ^{Rev.} (Hon. Pres.)
- Beatty, Mr. M., Elmwood, University Road, Belfast.
- Bradshaw, Mr., 53, Myrtlefield Park, Belfast.
- Bridg, Mr. Mr., Rockport, Craigavon.
- Ball, Mr. J. C., 22, Myrtlefield Park, Belfast.
- Boyle, Mr. ~~Robert~~ ^{Rev.} Beagh, Mr.
- Barritt, Mr., Drumard Cottage, Ballymena.
- Craig, Mr., 11, University Square, Belfast.
- Chamberlain, Mr., Redhill, Knock, Belfast.
- Campbell, Mr. Boyd, 38, Wellington Park, Belfast.
- Clarendon, Mr., Belhaven, Duramore Park, Belfast.
- Davey, Mr. J. E., 3. College Park, Belfast.
- Ferguson, Mr. J. D., Ballyvalley House, Banbridge.
- Green, Mr. A. F., Prov. Bank House, Tandragee.
- Green, Mr. G. ~~Adams~~, ^{Rev.} Portadown, Mr.
- Green, Mr. Belfast Bank House, Antrim.
- Gibbons, Miss, Head Master's House, Campbell Coll. Belfast.
- " " G. Bol.
- Heyland, Mr., Ballytemple, Garvagh.
- Home, Mr., St. Margaret's, Windsor Park, Belfast. Rev.

Hall Marrow water Warrenpoint.
 Marshall Londsdale, Greenisland.
 Irwin 2. Howard Terrace Dungannon.
 Jordan 9 Springfield Terrace, Londonderry.
 Blustone 2. St George Villas, ^{616. 10. Newtownards Road} Castlehill Road, Knock.
 Palmsley 11. Berry Ripe Avenue. Belfast
Longstone
 McCloy Mrs. 17. Wellington Park, Belfast.
 McNaughton 12. B. Gartmorn, Knock, Belfast.
 Miller Mr. Mrs. The Cottage, Mountstewart, Newtownards
 Moore Ladies Glassabreeden, Whitehouse, Belfast.
 Megan. Mrs. Annmore, Whiteabbey.
 Bir. Mr. Esq. 33. Eglington Avenue, Belfast.
 Patrick Mrs. Berry Ripe, Greenisland.
 Ross Mrs. The Grange, Ballymena.
 Mansfield Mrs. M. & J. S. Lodge, Donegall Pass Belfast.
 Parker Mr. College Park, Belfast.
 Hodges Mrs. Glenravel House, Glenravel Co. Antrim.
 Irwin Miss C. 2 Howard Terrace, Dungannon.
 Bothwell Miss Kohinoor, Bloomfield, Belfast.
 Perse Miss C. R. 5. Springfield Terrace, Warrenpoint.
 Wilson Miss Tallykeel East, Omagh.
 Cooke Mrs. Ulster Bank House, Lisburn. Res.
 Swan K. A. Mrs. Town P.R.U. School, Holywood.
 Moncon. Miss B. 3. Abbey Villas, Armagh.
 Thompson Mrs. Muckamore Abbey, Muckamore. Res.
Fitzpatrick Mrs. Rostalla, Whiteabbey. No.

• Weir.
 • White.
 • Webb.
 • Wilson.
 • Helps.
 • Wallace.
 • Webb.
 • Bellinall.
 • Montgomery.
 • Waterhouse.
 • Ramsay.
 • Charnell.
 • Miller.
 • President.
 • Vice-President.
 • Mrs. Irwin. Mr. J. B. Johnston.
 • Committee.
 • Mr. Blaenden, Mrs. J. H. White, Mr. Webb.
 • Mr. Gilson. Geof. Bing Esq. Mr. Ball. Mr. Chamberlain.
 • Miss Swan. Mrs. Bradshaw. Miss Williams. Mr.
 • Mrs. Bell. Mr. Stefford. Mrs. Waterhouse.
 • Emergency Committee.
 • Mr. Wilson. Mr. Irwin. Mr. Johnston. Mr. Blaenden.
 • Mr. Ball. Mrs. Swan. Mr. Chamberlain.
 • Mr. Caulfield. Mr. Ferguson. Mr....

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New Members.

Mrs. F. Maynard Sutton
Brooklands
Portadown. Co. Antrim.

26. 5. 37.

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Mrs. Martin
44 Whitehouse
Ballypatrick. Co. Antrim.

Mrs. Killen
Parkmore
Co. Antrim.

Miss P. Cowan.
Rathcahan
Ballymena.

Mrs. Cecil F. Andrews.
Daly
Comber. ?

2. 3. 38. Mrs. Briggs.
Eden Lodge.
Whiteabbey. Co. Antrim.

2. 2. 38. Mrs. Brett
Ballymena.
Helen's Bay. Co. Down.

Mrs. Blakiston-Brown
Roddens- Ballywalter
Co. Down.

Resignations.

19. 3. 37. Mrs. P. Hall Stewart
Downings.
Bandalstonow.

19. 3. 37. Mrs. J. Andrews.
Ballymena
Comber.

2. 3. 38. Mrs. Acheson.
25. Windsor Park
Belfast.

25. 2. 38. Mrs. C. F. Andrews.
Daly.
Comber.

2. 3. 38. Mrs. Corkery
College Park
Belfast.

9. 3. 39. Mrs Thompson.
Muckamore Abbey.

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Social Meeting 4th Feb. 1937.

A Social Meeting was held on 4th Feb. 1937. in the Carlton Restaurant, Belfast, by the invitation of Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Irwin and Mrs. Johnstone, as an outcome of a circular letter sent to members of committee for their views on the advisability of closing down the Branch.

Apologies for non-attendance were read from Mrs. Acheson, Mrs. Meglaughlin, Mrs. Greaves, Miss Jordan, Mrs. Corkery, Mrs. Patrick Webb, Mrs. Cockmane, Mrs. Heyland, Mrs. Canuth, and Mrs. Norman Patrick.

The objects of the meeting were set out by Mr. Wilson, the President, in the following remarks:-

"As you know, we have met today to discuss the future of the N. Ireland Branch of the P.N.E.U. At present, the Branch is in a state of suspended animation, & the question is - what are we going to do about it? Shall we let it die altogether, or, shall we attempt to revive it? And if so, in what form?"

Perhaps before I invite discussion, it would be well for you me to say a word on how the matter looks to the Committee. The Vice Presidents and myself.

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Actually I feel Mrs. Johnstone should be in the Chair today, for it is owing to her that this meeting was arranged; & her and Mr. Ding of Lockport, who I hope will give us his views later.

During the winter of 1934, in which I first took over the Presidency, every effort was made to get interesting speakers. We printed programmes, sent out notices, but time and again we were faced with pathetic audiences of ten or twelve! The following winter we tried once more but with even worse results. Finally tried and ashamed of apologising to lecturers for their scanty audiences, we resolved to stop the painful farce, & to let the whole thing lapse for a time.

Mrs. Brown & I flung ourselves into work for the P.N.E.U. School at Melford, Co. Armagh. I tried to forget our disheartening experiences in Belfast. Now that the school is becoming established however, we feel that the fate of the Branch should be settled one way or the other. Therefore, after consultation with the rest of the Committee, we decided to ask you to meet us here today".

Several members stated that they would object the winding up of the Branch and it was

unanimously decided to continue to have an Annual Social Meeting - to fix, however, a reduced annual subscription of 2/6d. ~~per~~

Meet x → After tea a short address was given by Mrs. Shelley, the Headmistress of the P.N.E.U. School at Melford, on the curriculum and aims of the school.

This concluded the meeting.

* No committee was elected but Mrs. Wilson was asked to continue as President and Mrs. J. B. Johnstone to act as Hon. Secretary pro tem.

That is all

Committee Meeting

21st January 1938.

A Committee Meeting was held on Friday, 21st January 1938 in the Carlton Restaurant, Belfast.

The following were present: - Mrs. Wilson (in the Chair) Mrs. Ball, Mr. George Brigg, M.A., Mrs. Bradshaw, Mrs. ~~Brown~~, Clarendon, Mrs. Irwin, Mrs. Waterhouse, and Mrs. Johnstone (Hon. Sec. & Treas.)

Apologies for non-attendance were read from Mrs. Chamberlain - Mrs. Heyland.

Minutes of previous meeting on 29th Sept. 1933 were read, confirmed & signed.

Letters from headquarters were read dealing with the payment of subscriptions and affiliate fees and also concerning nomination to the Executive Committee. It was pointed out in a letter of 28th April 1937 that a branch with a minimum membership of 50 persons was entitled to nominate one member for the Executive Committee. As our membership falls far short of that number, no action was taken.

The financial statement was read on letter dictated to the Hon. Secretary, to be written to Miss Brown (the former Hon. Sec. & Treas.) asking for particulars

particulars of the outstanding balance due to the Branch which had not been handed over to the new Hon. Secretary.

It was decided to hold a Social Meeting in the Carlton Restaurant on the 10th March 1938, and to invite Mrs. Demod O'Brien Treas. a speaker to give a short talk on the work of the Dublin Branch also to ask Mrs. Keeley (Headmistress) to give an account of the year's work in the P.N.E.U. School at Kells, Co. Armagh.

This concluded the business.

Theodore Wilson

17. 1. 1939.

Annual General Meeting
10th March 1938.

The second Annual General Social Meeting was held in the upper Overseas Club Room, Carlton Restaurant, Belfast on the 10th March 1938. The President, Mrs. R. P. Wilson, in the Chair.

The minutes of the last Annual Social Meeting were read & passed & the Hon. Secretary's Report & Hon. Treasurer's statement of accounts were read & passed.

Mrs. Brown proposed & Mrs. White seconded that Mrs. Ade B. Chamberlain be elected Vice-President in the place of Mrs. J. B. Johnston who had undertaken the duties of Hon. Secretary & Treasurer. This was passed unanimously.

On the motion of Mrs. Mc Cleary seconded by Mrs. Killen, the committee, consisting of Mrs. Hall, Mr. Geoffrey Bright, Mrs. Bradshaw, Mrs. Chamberlain, Mrs. Leyland, Mrs. Waterhouse, Mrs. Webb & Mrs. White, was unanimously re-elected.

The views of Headquarters concerning the admissibility of paying full £1 membership for undertaking a fuller programme, were put to the meeting but it was proposed by Mrs.

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and seconded by Mrs. Ball that for the ensuing year we should remain as at present paying 2½d only having the one Social meeting free. An amendment was suggested by Mrs. Chamberlain that anyone who wished to do so, could pay the full 5/- fee & have the use of the Headquarters' Library. This was agreed to.

An interesting paper on the history & working of the Dublin Branch was read by Mrs. Fitzgerald Steele who kindly took the place of Mrs. Bernad O'Brien who was unfortunately prevented from coming as she had promised.

Mrs. Shelley gave a comprehensive report of the year's work of the Manor House School which was much appreciated.

On the motion of Mrs. Wilson, the Chairman, a vote of thanks was passed unanimously to Mrs. Cowan for the use of the Overseas Club Room. The serving of tea concluded the meeting.

T. Wilson.
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Committee Meeting.
17th January 1939.

A Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday, 17th January 1939 at the Carlton Restaurant, Belfast.

The following were present:-

Mrs. R. P. Wilson (in the Chair)

" Bradshaw

" J. B. Johnstone (Hon. Sec.)

Apologies were received from Mrs. Briggs,
Mrs. Chamberlain, Mrs. Clarendon, Mrs. Heyland,
Mrs. Irwin and Mrs. Waterhouse.

The minutes of the Committee Meeting held on 21st January 1938 were read, passed and signed.

The following were welcomed as new members:-

Mrs. Brett, Helens Bay.

" Briggs, Whiteabbey

Rev'd. - Mrs. C. Savage, Belfast.

Discussion took place concerning the best means of bringing the services of the Parents' Union School to the notice of young parents in Northern Ireland. It was decided to ask members to bring a young friend to the next Annual General Meeting & to insert a notice of meeting in the Press.

It was suggested that probably Miss Horion Penru, an ex-student of the Charlotte Mason

College, Ambleside, would be willing to give a short account of the aims & work of the College. - Mrs. Wilson was asked to approach her to this end.

It was decided to hold the Annual General Meeting about the last week of February 1939, the exact date to be decided later.

This concluded the business.

Rev'd. - a. Wilson

25. 10. 1942.

Annual General Meeting
21st March 1939.

The Annual General Meeting was held in the Ballroom of the Carlton Restaurant, Belfast, on Tuesday, 21st March 1939. The President, Mrs. R. P. Wilson, in the Chair.

The minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 10th March 1938 were read, confirmed and signed.

The Hon. Secretary's report was read & adopted on the proposal of Mrs. Webb, seconded by Mrs. Brock.

The Hon. Treasurer submitted the Statement of Accounts showing a credit balance of £4. 17. 10. (Cash on deposit at Belfast Banking Co. £10; Current ac at Bank £2. 12. 8; Cash in hand, £2. 5. 2.) which was approved by the meeting.

Mrs. J. B. Johnstone proposed & Mrs. seconded that Mrs. R. P. Wilson be re-elected Chairman for the ensuing year. This was passed unanimously.

As Mrs. Johnstone was anxious that more should be done to make the P.N.G.N. better known in N. Ireland, yet pleaded inability to undertake heavier duties, it was proposed by Mrs. Wilson, seconded by Mrs. Megaw that

Miss Bradshaw be asked to undertake the duties of Hon. Secretary while Mrs. Johnstone retained the Hon. Treasurer ship. Miss Bradshaw kindly gave her consent & was unanimously elected Hon. Secretary.

All present members of Committee were re-elected on the motion of Mrs. Clarendon seconded by Mrs. McCloy, & in addition

Miss Holmes - Prop. by Mrs. Chamberlain
Sec. " " Bradshaw

or Mrs. Peacocke - Prop. " " Chamberlain
Sec. " " Stillen

Quorum to consist of four members in addition to Hon. Secretary.

It was proposed by Mrs. Chamberlain & seconded by Mrs. Blute that there should be another meeting this year say, in the autumn. This was approved by the meeting & further, that it should take the form of a lunch meeting before the School Christmas holidays was proposed by Mrs. McCloy, seconded by Mrs. Webb & passed unanimously.

A Committee meeting to arrange this was suggested for about 3rd week of September.

Then followed a very interesting account of the work of the

The Parents Union School at Ambleside
the attached Practising School, by Miss
Plumptre an Assistant Director of the
P. U. S. This was much appreciated
the thanks of the meeting conveyed to Miss
Plumptre in the motion of Mrs. Clarendon
seconded by Mrs. White.

The serving of tea concluded the meeting.

Committee Meeting
28th October, 1942.

A Committee Meeting was held on the 28th
October 1942 at 53. Myrtle Park, Belfast.

The following were present. - Mrs. Wilson,
(in the chair), Mrs. Bradshaw, Mrs. Clarendon, Mrs.
Webb and Mrs. Bradshaw (Hon. Secy.).

Apologies for non-attendance were read from,
Mrs. Beach, Mrs. Grinnan and Mrs. Waterhouse.

Minutes of the previous meeting on the
7th January 1942 were read, confirmed and signed.

The question of what should be the
future of the Branch was discussed.

Three possibilities were brought forward:-

- (1) That the activities of the Branch be held over
till the end of the war.
- (2) That a further attempt be made to revive
interest in the Branch meetings.
- (3) That the Branch be dissolved.

It was proposed by Mrs. Webb that the
Branch be dissolved in view of the difficulties of
transport etc. This was reluctantly agreed to by
all members present, with the proposal by Mrs. Bradshaw
that if in the future it is found possible to restart
the Branch, the present members of the
existing Committee should become members of

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the new Committee if they do serve
the Secretary was instructed to
write to Headquarters telling them of this
decision.